

**Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development****Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)****Grant Recipient: Ketchikan Gateway Borough****Project Title:****Project Type:** Maintenance and Repairs

## Ketchikan Gateway Borough - Gateway Recreation Center Emergency Roof Replacement

**State Funding Requested: \$920,000****House District: 1 / A**

One-Time Need

**Brief Project Description:**

Funding for emergency roof repairs to the Gateway Recreation Center in Ketchikan

**Funding Plan:****Total Cost of Project: \$920,000***There is no other funding needed***Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

Funding for an emergency roof replacement for the Gateway Recreation Center in Ketchikan. A 2009 inspection of the roof revealed serious corrosion and water damage, with consultants recommending replacing the roof. Heavy precipitation and snowfall/ice will likely cause further damage to the facility if the roof is not replaced immediately. Failure of the roof would impact the recreational activities that the community has come to enjoy and need in this harsh environment. The roof needs to be protected from moisture infiltration, reinsulated and resealed with new materials. The Gateway Recreation Center provides a safe environment for community activities. This funding will ensure the center remains open and provides a safe facility for the community.

**Project Timeline:**

2011

**Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:**

Ketchikan Gateway Borough

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? ☒ Yes ☐ No

# THE COMMUNITY OF KETCHIKAN

## FISCAL YEAR 2011 STATE FUNDING REQUEST



### PROJECT NAME

**Gateway Recreation Center Emergency Roof Replacement**

### APPLICANT

Ketchikan Gateway Borough (*Borough Priority No. 2*)

### FUNDING REQUEST

Requested	\$920,000
Local Contribution	\$0
Total	\$920,000

### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The roof at the Gateway Recreation Center has corrosion and water intrusion issues. A study on the roof was completed on August 6, 2009. The study revealed that the installation of the roof was flawed and now there is corrosion and holes on the back side of the roof. The consultants recommend replacing the roof with the proper materials and installation.

#### **Deferred Maintenance:**

Heavy precipitation and snowfall/ice could cause further damage if not replaced immediately. Failure of the roof would impact the recreational activities that the community has come to enjoy and need in this harsh environment. Continued repairs will only delay the roof system failure. The roof system needs to be protected from moisture infiltration, reinsulated and resealed with new materials.

#### **Public Safety:**

The Gateway Recreation Center provides a safe environment for all ages to recreate. In order to maintain a safe facility, our structure should be sound.

#### **Investment in Future:**

It is in the best interest of the community to keep the Gateway Recreation Center updated by replacing the roof. An updated facility is more desirable to the public therefore increasing public visits. Higher volumes can yield a healthier community for all ages. The younger user will hopefully set a healthy pattern of lifestyle which the community will benefit from for years to come.

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**Health and Welfare:**

The Gateway Recreation Center provides several fitness classes, sports activities, youth camps and drop-in activities at their leisure. In today's headlines, you will read about obesity in children more and more. We provide a place and the means to tackle this growing problem nationwide. Our facility encourages family activities promoting healthy families. In order for the Gateway Recreation Center to be successful, the facility needs to be updated and repaired.

**Culture and Recreation:**

The Gateway Recreation Center provides recreation to all ages throughout the year. Our drop-in activities located within the facility include track, basketball, soccer, volleyball, tennis, ping pong, air hockey, racquetball, squash and a fitness room with exercise equipment. These activities are available throughout the day. Other programs that are offered within the facility include aerobic/fitness classes, dance classes, martial arts, art classes, youth camps and several seasonal special events.



# Ketchikan Gateway Borough

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## Background Regarding \$920,000 Capital Appropriation for Emergency Replacement of Roof at Gateway Recreation Center

(Prepared April 28, 2010)

\$920,000 was appropriated in the FY 2011 State Capital Budget for “Ketchikan Gateway Borough – Gateway Recreation Center Emergency Roof Replacement.” (Section 10, page 95).

The funding was requested by the Ketchikan Gateway Borough and is the highest priority project funded for the Borough government in the FY 2011 Capital Budget.

Funding for the emergency roof replacement is one of three appropriations totaling \$2,570,000 to the Borough (population 12,984) in the Capital Budget as shown below:

Gateway Recreation Center Emergency Roof Replacement	\$920,000
Ketchikan International Airport Facility Renovations and Reconstruction	\$1,500,000
Children’s Community Park	<u>\$150,000</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,570,000</b>

The roof at the Gateway Recreation Center has corrosion and water intrusion problems. In a community that receives more than 12 feet of rain per year, replacement of the roof is critical.

Heavy precipitation will cause further damage if the roof is not replaced immediately. The capacity of the Borough to fund the project is impacted by unfunded mandates and nearly \$120 million in debt incurred by Ketchikan local governments to fund other essential facilities. This includes, most recently, \$23.5 million in general obligation bonded debt for a new aquatic center. At 38 years of age, the existing Ketchikan aquatic center has reached the end of its useful life. The aquatic center serves not

only the recreational needs of the community, but also vital public health, safety, and education needs of the residents of the Ketchikan Gateway Borough.

Further information about the critical need for the \$920,000 appropriation for Emergency Replacement of Gateway Recreation Center is available from:

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